

Amendment

Listing of All Claims Including Current Amendments

1. (Currently amended) A method of using a mutant of EtxB or CtxB comprising delivering an agent to a target cell wherein the mutant has a mutation in the region spanning amino acid residues E-51 – I58 of the β 4- α 2 loop of said EtxB or CtxB and said mutant has GM-1 binding activity; but wherein the mutant has a reduced immunogenic and immunomodulatory activity relative to the wild type form of EtxB or CtxB.
2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the agent is selected from the group consisting of a peptide or protein of interest (POI) ~~, an antigen, an antigenic determinant, an antibody, and a nucleotide sequence of interest (NOI).~~
3. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 2 wherein the agent is linked to a membrane translocating or fusigenic peptide.
4. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 3 wherein the membrane translocating or fusigenic peptide comprises elements of the Pol-loop segment corresponding to a domain in the C-terminal region of HSV-1 polymerase.
5. (Canceled)
6. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the agent is delivered into a vesicular compartment of the target cell.
7. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein the target cell comprises at least one constituent selected from the group consisting of cytosol,

nucleus, and organelle, and wherein the agent is targeted to the cytosol and/or the nucleus and/or an organelle of the target cell.

8. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the target cell is an antigen presenting cell (APC).
9. (Canceled)
10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9 1 wherein the mutant comprises a mutation at amino acid residues 51, 56 and/or 57 of the β 4- α 2 loop.
11. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 9 or claim 10 wherein the mutant comprises a H57A or H57S mutation.
12. (Currently amended) A method of preparing a medicament comprising providing a mutant of EtxB or CtxB in the preparation of a medicament, wherein the mutant has a mutation in the region spanning amino acid residues E-51 – I58 of the β 4- α 2 loop of said EtxB or CtxB and is capable of delivering an exogenous peptide into the MHC major histocompatibility complex Class I antigen processing and presentation pathways to elicit a ~~CTL~~ cytotoxic T lymphocyte response.
13. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 12 wherein the exogenous peptide is an agent selected from the group consisting of a peptide or protein of interest (POI) ~~, an antigen, an antigenic determinant, an antibody, and a nucleotide sequence of interest (NOI).~~
14. (Currently amended) A method of using a mutant of EtxB or CtxB for separate, simultaneous or combined use to treat a disease or a condition in a subject in need of same comprising administering a medicament comprising a mutant of

EtxB or CtxB has a mutation in the region spanning amino acid residues E51 – I58 of the β 4- α 2 loop of CtxB or EtxB and wherein the mutant has GM-1 binding activity; but wherein the mutant has a reduced immunogenic and immunomodulatory activity relative to the wild type form of EtxB or CtxB.

15. (Currently amended) A method of treating a disease or condition in a subject in need of same wherein the method comprises:
 - (i) providing a target cell; and
 - (ii) delivering an agent to the target cell using a mutant of EtxB or CtxB having a mutation in the region spanning amino acid residues E51 – I58 of the β 4- α 2 loop of CtxB or EtxB wherein the mutant has GM-1 binding activity; but wherein the mutant has a reduced immunogenic and immunomodulatory activity relative to the wild type form of EtxB or CtxB.
16. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 15 wherein the disease or condition is a viral infection or a cancer.
17. (Currently amended) A method of delivering an agent using a mutant to a target cell wherein the method comprises:
 - (i) providing a target cell;
 - (ii) contacting the cell with a mutant of EtxB or CtxB having a mutation in the region spanning amino acid residues E51 – I58 of the β 4- α 2 loop of EtxB or CtxB wherein the mutant has GM-1 binding activity; but wherein the mutant has a reduced immunogenic and immunomodulatory activity relative to the wild type form of EtxB or CtxB; and
 - (iii) monitoring for the presence of the agent in the target cell.

18. (Original) A method according to claim 17 wherein the agent is delivered to a vesicular compartment, and/or cytosol and/or nucleus and/or an organelle of the target cell.
19. (Canceled)
20. (Canceled)
21. (Currently amended) A kit for delivering an agent to a target cell wherein the kit comprises:
 - (i) a mutant of EtxB or CtxB having a mutation in the region spanning amino acid residues E51 – I58 of the β 4- α 2 loop of EtxB or CtxB wherein the mutant has GM-1 binding activity; but wherein the mutant has a reduced immunogenic and immunomodulatory activity relative to the wild type form of EtxB or CtxB;
 - (ii) an agent for delivery to the target cell; and optionally
 - (iii) means for detecting the location of the agent in the target cell.
22. (Canceled)
23. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 12 wherein the agent is linked to a membrane translocating or fusigenic peptide.
24. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 23 wherein the membrane translocating or fusigenic peptide comprises elements of the Pol-loop segment corresponding to a domain in the C-terminal region of HSV-1 polymerase.
25. (Canceled)